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Application No. 10/707,979

Docket No. BUR920030198US1

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER, ART UNIT 3624

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PRIORITIES IN A SUPPLY CHAIN OPTIMIZATION MODEL

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the After-Final Office Action dated **May 13, 2010**, setting a three-month statutory period for response, please consider this timely filed Amendment in the above-identified application as follows: